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Applicant: Martin C. Flautt et al.  
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For: SUPERABSORBENT WATER-RESISTANT COATINGS

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Art Unit: 1796

Commissioner for Patents  
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JANUARY 2, 2008

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed January 2, 2008, Applicants provide herewith this response to the issues raised therein.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicants' undersigned counsel wishes to thank Examiner Choi for the telephone discussion on July 2, 2008 to discuss the outstanding Office Action and the time he extended to Applicants' counsel.

AMENDMENTS

Amendments to Claims 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)

Applicants respectfully request amendment of Claims 50, 65, 68, and 70, as provided below. In addition, Applicants respectfully request cancellation of Claim 59.

**Claim Amendments** begin on page 2 of this Response.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this Response.